EDGAR

...as Times.

...Virginia, October 16 1913 $1.00 A Year

FOREST FIRES

More than $5,000,000.00 of forest products were destroyed in West Virginia during the year 1908 by forest fires. To prevent this destruction the legislature of 1909 enacted a law.

It is now ulawful—For any person to build a fire, or use an abandoned fire, in a field, public or private road, or adjacent to, or in any woods or forests of this state, unless such fire is totally extinguished before leaving same.

To negligently set on fire any fields, woods or lands in this State, so as to thereby occasion loss, damage or injury to an other person; the fine is not less than $50.00 nor more than $500.00, and in the discretion of the court giving same a jail sentence may be imposed not to exceed one year.

To unlawfully and maliciously set fire to any woods, fields, grass, straw or other thing capable of spreading fire on lands; the fine is not to exceed $100.00, and a jail sentence of not less than two nor more than twelve months, and any person injured thereby, or in consequence thereof, may recover double the amount of damages sustained.

To wilfully set on fire any woods fields or lands within this State, not your own, so as to thereby occasion damage or injury to any other person, constitutes a felony, punishable by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than one nor more than five years.

Railroad Companies.—The law requires all railroad companies to remove all inflamable material from their right-of-way, to provide all locomotives with netting of steel or iron wire to prevent the escape of sparks and fire from the smoke stacks, and anequate levices to prevent the escape of fire from ash pans and furnaces.

CAPT. A. M. EDGAR

It is said in God's Word of the righteous that "thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of grain cometh in its season." In this there is of course the idea of ripeness, or fitness, and of home-bringing. How appropriate is this thought today when we gather about all that remains of the earthly tabernacle of this father, husband and friend. The years have been rounded out to him and the ripening being completed, it is most fitting that he should be taken into the garner of God. God thus comes in his infinite wisdom and takes his servant as the husbandman comes at harvest time, takes the sheaf and places it in the storehouse. We are not here, then, today to stand aghast at the strangeness of God's providence but to pay tribute to the richness of his mercy in filling up the measure of the days of our friend. All the processes of growth and maturity are complete and God blesses him by taking him into the heavenly garner as a ripened sheaf. It seems to me that the sentiment which the poet Tennyson expressed with reference to his own death is the appropriate one on an occasion like this:

"Sunset and evening bell,
And after that the dark,
And may there be no moanings of farewell
When I embark;
For though from out our bourne of time and space
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

Alfred M. Edgar was born July 10, 1837 in the home occupied by his ancestors several generations before him at Edgar's Mill, Greenbrier County. His parents were Archie Edgar and his wife Nancy and stock raiser. To this union were born five children, all surviving—Mrs. F. R. Hill, of Marlinton: Mrs. H. W. McNeel, of Academy; A. P. Edgar, Esq., of Marlinton; and Mr. George and Miss Rachel Edgar, at home.

Capt. Edgar's dominant traits were his meekness of spirit and his unshaken faith in his fellowman. He was modest to a fault and his own natural modesty was nurtured by the habit he had of always exalting others above himself. I never knew him to speak even critically of any one. Whatever faults he may have seen in his fellowman were always cast into the background of shade as the sunlight of his praise fell upon their virtues. Peace he loved and peace he would have at almost any cost. After knowing him, it always impressed me that his nature was in strange contrast to the popular notion of the ideal soldier. That so quiet, modest, peace-loving a man should have won the record for bravery and daring that remains to his credit as a soldier upsets many of our favorite ideas, but yet it is in keeping with the true psychology of bravery. Not the blustering braggart but the quiet, sturdy, faithful soul makes the bravest and most dependable soldier. These traits were the secret of his long and honorable service as a soldier as they were the key-note of his after life.

I need not speak of his life as a neighbor, friend, and citizen. It is so well known that nothing I could say would add anything to the sum of it. Since his illness and the inevitable issue of it became known there has been heard only universal regret that such a man would soon be taken from among us. He had been in declining health for a long time and bravely, even hopefully, fought

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During his long illness I visited him frequently and never saw anyone more appreciative of, or more grateful for spiritual help and counsel. He was outspoken in his declaration of faith in his Redeemer. He was too well grounded in the principles of our religion to doubt the Savior's mercy or capacity to save all who put their trust in him and he knew that he trusted Him, yet it was hard for him to over come his natural modesty and reserve and declare his absolute assurance of salvation. But we know that God does not make our assurance of salvation the test of our acceptance with Him. So far as human frailty is able to judge the evidences of his faith was unmistakable. We therefore sorrow not today as those who have no hope. His pastor will miss the presence that when he was well was scarcely ever absent from church. The family will miss the quiet unassuming spirit that guided them so long with his quiet counsel. The community will miss one who was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to all in need. Many hearts will go out in sympathy for those most deeply concerned in his death.

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Misses Maggie and Minnie Wood of this place, are visiting their sister, Mrs. H. T. Painter, at Linwood.

R. J. Bauar is making J. T. Beal a fine cellar.

Mr. Butcher, wife and three children and Mr. Ware and wife were upset from their automibile last Sunday, and one of Mr. Butcher's children was killed and Mr. Ware will probably die.

Bruce Wood who has been working at Denmar, was at home a few days last week but has returned to his work again.

Comfort and economy make happy homes. You get both by using Cole's Hot Blast Heaters.

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Bern Cutlip made a flying trip to Clarksburg the other day.

Elihu Gaylor and Floyd Nicholas have about finished their job for Ed Whiting.

David Dean finished harvesting the day it snowed.

Wesley Underwood has finished his job of logging.

Joe Bush has returned from a two weeks stay in Pennsylvania.

R. L. Symmes is at Seebert husking his corn, raised on his brother's place. He reports a fine crop.

Rev Howard Underwood has been up the river holding a protracted meeting. He reports several confessions.

Weakbridge County

Dated July 2, 1822

THOMAS EDGAR

WILL

Recorded in Will Book 1, Page 525

In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Edgar of the County of Greenbrier & State of Virginia, being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind, do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following Viz.

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann Edgar, the amount for which my negro girl Amy may be sold by my Executors as hereinafter directed also one horse & two cows such as she may choose from among my Stock also all my household & kitchen furniture except such as may be hereinafter otherwise disposed of also One Hundred dollars in Cash to be paid my Executors to her & her heirs forever, also to her during her natural life the one third of the plantation whereon I now reside.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy the amount for which my negro girl Lucy may be sold by my Executors as hereinafter directed, also a bureau, a looking glass & dressing table at this time called in her name in the family--also a good feather bed & furniture also one Horse worth ninety dollars, or in lieu of him a Two year old Horse Colt whichever she may choose--- also three cows, also Eight Hundred Dollars to be paid by my Executors hereinafter named.

Thirdly To my Grand Daughter Ann Eliza Walkup I give and bequeath the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars to be by my Executors kept at interest and applied from time to time to her education & support until she shall choose a Guardian, intermarry or arrive at 21 years of age. But if Samuel Walkup of Rockbridge County

Thomas.

(who I do hereby request to do so) will qualify as the Guardian of the said Ann Eliza then and in that case I desire that my Executors immediately pay the same over to him to be held by him for the purpose aforesaid. The ballance of said Twelve Hundred Dollars which may be unexpended on the said Ann Eliza's inter marriage or arrival at the age of 21 years shall be paid over to her to remain hers and her heirs forever. But in case the said Ann Eliza should die before her intermarriage or arrival at 21 years of age without leaving lawful issue of her body then and in that event I give and bequeath the ballance that may remain unexpended at the time of her death to all my children to be equally divided between them.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my son Thomas the amount for which my Negro Man Bob & my negro Girl Matilda may be sold by my Executors as hereinafter directed.

Fifthly, I give and bequeath to my son Archer the amount for which my two negro Boys Boneparte & Adison may be sold by my Executors as hereinafter directed also a Good feather bed & furniture.

Sixthly, My Negro man Ceasor having been a very useful servant to me and very Pleasant & obedient to my Family--I do hereby direct that at the expiration of four years from the time of my death that he be emancipated & freed. The four years for which he is to serve he shall be hired out by my Executors & the hires paid to my wife & my son Archer.

Seventhly all the residue of my estate both real and personal after the payment of all my debts, funeral expenses & the aforesaid legacies, I give and bequeath to my two sons Thomas and Archer, to be divided between them in such a manner that Archer shall receive Seventeen Hundred dollars & more in value than Thomas.

Lastly I do hereby authorise and direct my Executors to make sale of all my slaves (except Ceasor) and that they pay the amounts thereof to the person to whom devised.

My three daughters, Elizabeth, Letitia and Sally, having already received from me that portion of my estate which I designed them I hope they will be satisfied with what I have done for them heretofore and that they will consider that I could not in Justice to my other children do more for them.

And lastly--I do hereby constitute and appoint my soninlaw James Withrow and my two sons Thomas and Archer Executors of this my Last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I have hereto set my Hand & affixed my seal this 2nd day of July in the year 1822.

Thos. Edgar (SEAL)

Signed sealed and delivered
as the Last Will & Testament of the above
named Thomas Edgar by him in our presence
Maria Moore
John A. North
John McElheney

Greenbrier County Court
July Term 1822

This instrument of writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Edgar, decd. was presented in Court & proved by the oaths of John A. North & John McElheney two of the subscribing witnesses thereto to have been duly Executed and acknowledged by the said Thomas Edgar, decd. as and for his Last Will and Testament which is ordered to be recorded--And thereupon Thomas Edgar &

Archer Edgar, two of the Executors therein named appeared in Court together with ✗ James Witherow the other Executor therein named who refusing to take upon himself the Execution of said will the said Thomas Edgar & Archer Edgar took the oath prescribed by law and entered into bond with James Withrow and William Morrow their securities in the penalty of Eight Thousand Dollars conditioned as the law direct. Therefore probate and letters Testamentary is granted to the said Thomas Edgar and Archer Edgar as the acting Executors of the said Last will & testament of Thomas Edgar Decd. in due form of Law.

Teste: Lewis Stuart C.G.C.

WEST VIRGINIA, Greenbrier County, S.S.:

I, Paul C. Hogsett, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the will of Thomas Edgar, deceased, as is found of record in my said Office in Will Book 1, page 525.

Given under my hand this the 17th day of August, 1937.

Paul C. Hogsett
Clerk, Greenbrier County Court

In ye. Name of God Amen ye. Ninth Day of October in ye. year of our Lord 1765 I George Egar of Bedford County being very sick & Weak in Body but of Perfect mind & Memory, Thanks be given unto God, therefore Calling unto Mind ye. Mortality of my Body & Knowing Yt. it is Appointed for all men once to Dye do make & Ordian this my Last Will & Testament yt. is to Say Princypally, & first of all I give & Recommend my Soul unto the Hands of God that gave it & for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian Like & Desent Manner at the Descresion of my Exrs. Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurection I shal Receive the same again by the Mighty power of God, & as Toutching Such Worldly astate Wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I give & Devise & Dispose of the Same in ye. Following Manner and form, Item I give and Bequeth unto Elizabeth my Dearely Beloved Wife Sufficant Maintainance Dureing her Natural Life time of the plantation whereon I now Live together with a Childs part in my movable Estate as also one Gray Mare Known by the name of Boney. Item I Leave to my Sone John Egar five Shillings Starling. Itam I Leave to my Daughter Jenet Egar one Mare known by the name of fanix and one Cow Known by the name of White face. Item I Leave to my Daughter Agness Egar Alious McDavid five Shilling Starling Itam I give to my Son James Egar one White Horse Known by the Name of Ranter as also my plantation whereon I now Live to be Equaly Divided Between the said James Egar and my Son George Egar. Itam I Leave & Bequath to my Daughter Mary and my son Thomas Egar the Remaining part of my Movebles Estate to be Equally Divided beween them After my Just Debts and Funerall Charges provided the same shall not amount above Ten pounds to Each of them and if the same Should Amount to more the over plush is to be paid to my Son George Egar by my Son James Egar Whome I Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my only & Sole Executor of this my Last

ll & Testament the same Legiticys are to be paid by my Executor in Horses & Cattle at a Reasonable Rates, Signed Sealed, Published pronounced and Declaired by the Said, as his Last will and Testament in presents of us the Subscribers Viz:

George his mark Eger (LS)

William Rutherford John
Bryan, Robert Dougless

At a Court held for Bedford County October 22d, 1765.
The within Last Will & Testament of Geroge Eger Deceased was Exhibited in Court by James Egar Executor therein Named & proved by the Oaths of John Bryan & Robert Doughlass Witnesses thereto Subscribed and Ordered to be Recorded and on the Motion of the sd. James Egar Who made Oath According to Law Certificate is Granted him for Obtaining a probate Thereof in Due form of Law he having first Entered into bond with Securety & Acknowledged the same for his due & Faithfull Execution of the said Last Will & Testament According to Law

Teste

Ben Howard C B C

A Copy Teste:

(signed) V. W. Nichols Clerk
of the Circuit Court of the County of
Bedford County, Virginia

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FAMILY RECORDS IN THE EDGAR BIBLE

MARRIAGES

Thomas Edgar and Ann Mathews was married the 21st day of March, 1765.

Archer M. Edgar and Nancy H. Pearis was married the 25 day of January, 1832.

Lewis S. Creigh and Lizzie A. Edgar was married January 4th, 1860 by Rev. John McElhany, D. D.

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BIRTHS

Thomas Edgar was born 27th Sept. 1750.

Ann Mathews now Ann Edgar was born the 10th day of Oct. 1765

Elizabeth Edgar was born the 8th day of July 1786

Letitia Edgar was born the 24th July 1788

Sarah Edgar was born the 4th Oct. 1790

Mary Edgar was born the 11th July 1792

Lewis Edgar was born the ____ day of Jan. 1795

Thos. Edgar was born the 29th day of Aug. 1797

Archer M. Edgar was born the 2nd day of July (?) 1799

Ann M. Edgar was born the 31st day of March 1803

Henry Clay Edgar was born the 3th day of December 1832

Elizabeth Ann Edgar was born the 17th day of November 1834

Alfred M. Edgar was born July 10th, 1837

Caroline P. Edgar was born the 17th of December 1839

Thomas Edgar was born the 30 of March 1842

Ardelia Edgar was born (?) of May 1847

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DEATHS

Lewis Edgar died the 19th Aug. 1796

Mary Edgar now Walkup died the 12th July 1819 (1810?)

Letitia Edgar now Withrow died the 10th June 1834

Deaths - Continued

Thomas Edgar Jun. died the 28th of March 1842

Eliza Edgar died in Gainsville Alabama on the 21st June 1865

Thomas Edgar, Sen. died 15th July 1822

Nancy Edgar died 21 Novem. 1852

Henry Clay Edgar died the 20th of October 1833

Archer M. Edgar died the 10th October 1863 in the 64th year of his age

Nancy H. Edgar died the 24th September 1864 in 52nd year of her age

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The following are listed on a slip of paper found in the

Delia Dangerfield Edgar died Dec. 18 1870 in the 24th year of her age.

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Delia Dangerfield Edgar died Dec. 18 1870 in the
24th year of her age.

Eliza beth. Ann Creigh died Sept 10th 1897 in the 63rd year
of her age

Thomas Howe Edgar died Feb. 25th 1904 in the 62nd year
of his age.

Bible published 1811 by Mathew Carey, 122 Market St., Philadelphia

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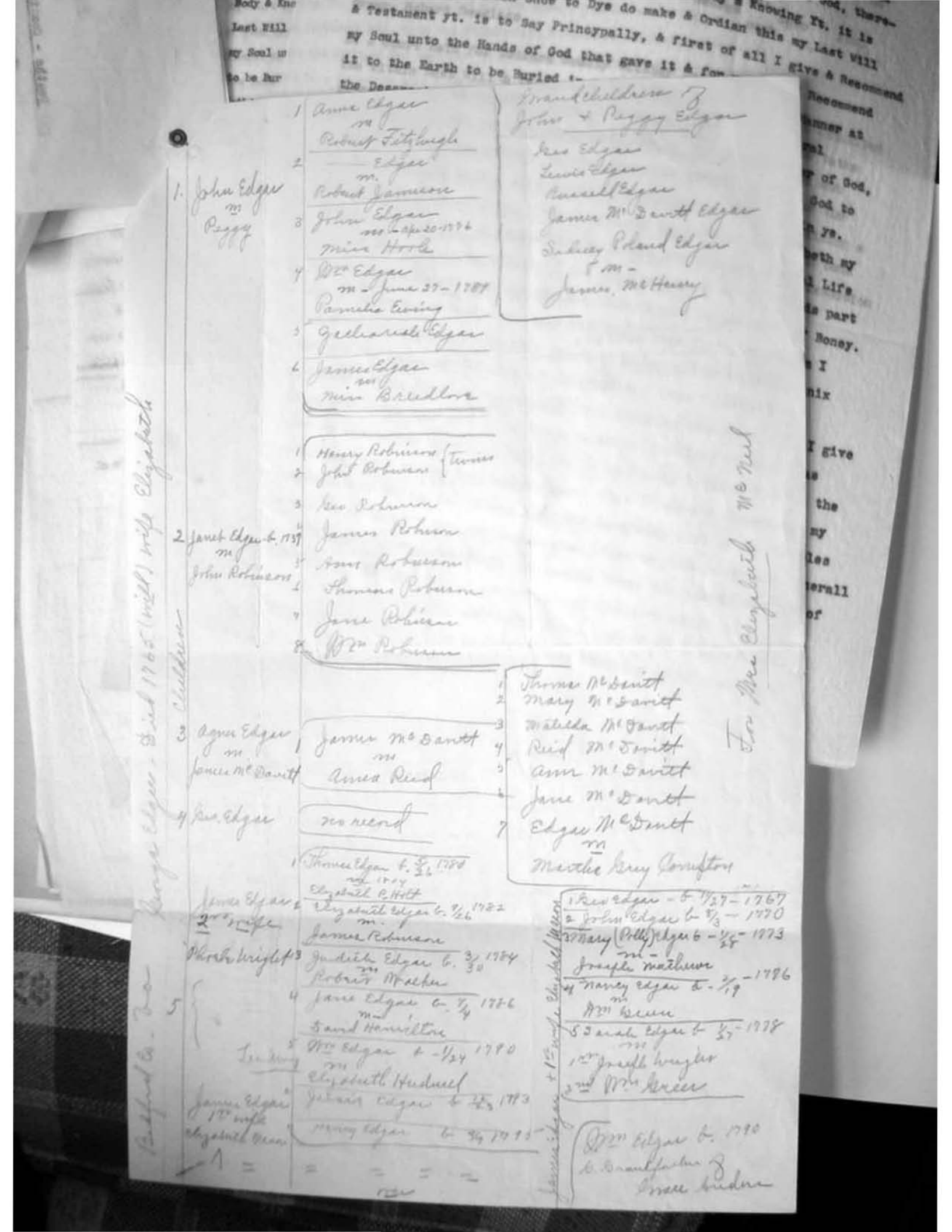

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Appointed for all men once to Dye do make & Ordian this
& Testament yt. is to Say Princypally, & first of all I
my Soul unto the Hands of God that gave it &
it to the Earth to be Buried
the Descreat

1 Anne Edgar
m
Robert Fitzhugh

2 —— Edgar
m.
Robert Jamieson

3 John Edgar
m - Apr 20-1776
Miss Hoole

4 Wm Edgar
m - June 27-1789
Pamelia Ewing

5 Zachariah Edgar

6 James Edgar
m
Miss Bredlove

Grandchildren 7
John + Peggy Edgar

Geo Edgar
Lewis Edgar
Russell Edgar
James McDavitt Edgar
Sidney Poland Edgar
m -
James McHenry

Edgar

1 Henry Robinson
2 John Robinson } twins
3 Geo Robinson
4 James Robinson
5 Ann Robinson
6 Thomas Robinson
7 Jane Robinson
8 Wm Robinson

Mrs Elizabeth McNeil

1 Thomas McDavitt
2 Mary McDavitt
3 Matilda McDavitt

6 James Edgar
m
Miss Breedlove

1 Henry Robinson } twins
2 John Robinson }
3 Geo Robinson
4 James Robinson
5 Ann Robinson
6 Thomas Robinson
7 Jane Robinson
8 Wm Robinson

2 Janet Edgar b. 1739
m
John Robinson

1 Thomas McDavitt
2 Mary McDavitt
3 Matilda McDavitt
4 Reid McDavitt
5 Ann McDavitt
6 Jane McDavitt
7 Edgar McDavitt
m
Martha Grey Compton

For Mrs Elizabeth McNeil

Agnes Edgar
m
James McDavitt

1 James McDavitt
m
Anna Reid

Geo. Edgar

no record

1 Thomas Edgar b. 5/26 1780
m 1804
Elizabeth P. Holt

James Edgar
2nd wife
Phoebe Wright

2 Elizabeth Edgar b. 9/26 1782
m.
James Robinson

3 Judith Edgar b. 3/30 1784
m
Robert Walker

4 Jane Edgar b. 7/4 1786
m
David Hamilton

Ter Mary

5 Wm Edgar b. 1/24 1790
m
Elizabeth Hudnell

James Edgar
1st wife
Elizabeth Mason

6 Jessie Edgar b. 12/23 1793

7 Henry Edgar b. 9/7 1795

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1 Geo Edgar - b. 11/27 - 1767
2 John Edgar b. 8/3 - 1770
3 Mary (Polly) Edgar b. 1/28 - 1773
m
Joseph Mathews
4 Nancy Edgar b. 2/19 - 1776
m
Wm Green
5 Sarah Edgar b. 1/27 - 1778
m
1st Joseph Wright
2nd Wm Green

James Edgar + 1st wife Elizabeth Mason

Wm Edgar b. 1790
G. Grandfather of
Grace Anderson

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Item - I recommend my body after my death to earth from whence it came to be buried in a decent manner & my soul unto my Heavenly father and it is my desire that all my funeral expenses and other lawful debts to be paid as soon as convenient as can be done after my decise

Item - I join & devise unto my beloved wife Elizabeth one third part of my plantation _____? & tenements or yards and all belonging to it, during her life as also two slaves, one negro man, named Mamuel, and one wench named Rachel, to labor for her during her life, and if said wench should bare any children, the half to be my wife's own for her & her heirs forever and after her decise the above named Mamuel & Rachel and their increase as above, to be returned to my sone, Jacob Harness, to be his own & heirs forever, and I give to my beloved wife one third of all my other effects & moveables & also one third in moneys left by me to be her own forever -

Item - I give & devise to my youngest son, Jacob Harness, my plantation, dwelling house, barns, orchard and all of husbandry and all household furniture (my wife's part excepted) the living stock & also all my slaves except one Peter, in short he is to have everything left by me on the plantation & this is for the good cause & reason, that I have furnished & supplied my eldest sons with lands & other necessaries before in forever times, all to be his without molestion forever -

Item - I give & bequeath to my son John Harness one equal part of the moneys left by me for him & his heirs forever & no more -

Item - I give & bequeath to my son George Harness one equal part in moneys left by me for him & his heirs forever & no more -

Item - I give & bequeath to my son Peter Harness, one negro named Will & also one equal part in my moneys to be his & his heirs forever & no more -

Item - I give & bequeath to my grandson, Michall Harness, & his sister Eliz. Robinson, one equal share of moneys left by me to be divided among them.

Item - I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Eliz. Yoakum & Barbara See & likewise Dorothy Hornbeck & Margeretha Hornbeck likewise each one of them to have equal part in moneys left by me to be theirs & their heirs forever & no more -

And lastly I hereby appoint my son John Harness & my soninlaw Samuel Hornbeck sole executors of my last will & testament. I hereby revoke & make void all other wills.

In witness thereof I set my hand & seal this ___day 1774.

Michael Harness

In witness thereof

Anthony Baker, Joseph Petty, Jacob Yoakum

John Beard's Will

John Beard's Will - Dated May 11, 1808 - (Will Bk #1 - P 239 - Greenbrier Co (W.) Va - Lewisburg -

In the name of God Amen - I John Beard being sick in body but of Sound mind & memory, etc. My last will & testament in the following manner:

First I commit my soul to God, my Saviour & Redeemer - My body to be buried at the discretion of my executors here in after named -

My temporal estate with all my lawful debts to be first discharged -

The legacies left to my daughters, Agnes Sabina & Betsy by their Aunt Elizabeth be also discharged.

Item to my beloved wife Janett my negro man Jingo, two working horses, two cows, to be at her disposal during her widowhood - the third of our plantation we now live on - the wagons & farming tools for her use on the farm -

Item - I bequeath to my son Wm Ryneck the plantation we now live on .

Item - I bequeath to my daughter Jane, Sabina, Mary & Betsy to each $100.00 worth of property (in Greenbrier Co., W. Va. near Ryneck's Valley)

Item - I bequeath to my son Josiah when he comes of age "The Locust Plantation" & the mills thereon (This is 7 miles south of Hillsboro, W. Va. in Pocahontas Co.,W.Va.)

Item - I bequeath the rents from Locust plantation & Mills till Josiah comes of age the moneys arising from the sale of the place on Dry Creek also my part of the Knob place to be equally divided among my daughters.

I also hereby constitute & appoint Samuel Beard & Thomas Beard Jr., Thomas Beard Sr. my brother executors of this my last will & testament.

Signed, sealed & delivered by John Beard as his last will & testament in presence of

Seal. John Beard

Robert Stevens, David Parks, Adam Stumbaugh

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Dearest Cousin Bess

Please supply dates on your family, Names, Births — also dates of each of your Bruthis — As well as Allen's George's and Rachel's family Get Henrietta or Dot to do this and then mail me back this Copy — so I can Complete the record

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ALFRED E. CREIGH, JR.

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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Edgar Family: In America

(1) George Edgar and Elizabeth Rutherford

of Bedford County, Virginia.

(1) John Edgar, (See pg____
(2) Janet Edgar, born 1739 (See pg____
(3) Agnes Edgar, (See pg____
(4) George Edgar, (No record, closed)
(5) James Edgar (See pg____
(6) Mary Edgar (No record, closed)
(7) Thomas Edgar, born 1750 (See pg____

(The Ancester)

George Edgar is presumed to be the 1st Colonist and Founder of the Family. He is found residing at Bedford Falls, Virginia. In 1765 he executed his will and died in August of 1765. His will as filed October 22,1765 - Book "A" page 25, as follows:

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Robert Douglass

Pg.___ 1. John Edgar and Peggy _____ Edgar

were married in Bedford Co. Va.

(1) Anna Edgar (married Robt. Fitzhugh) closed
(2) _____ Edgar (married Robt. Jamison) closed
(3) John Edgar (See page _____
(4) Wm. Edgar (See page _____
(5) Zachary Edgar (Closed)
(6) James Edgar (See pg.

Pg.___ 2. Janet Edgar and John Robinson

(1) Henry Robinson) twins (Closed)
(2) John Robinson)
(3) George Edgar Robinson (Closed)
(4) James Edgar Robinson (Closed)
(5) Ann Rutherford Robinson (Closed)
(6) Thomas Edgar Robinson (Closed)
(7) Jane Robinson (Closed)
(8) Wm. Robinson (Closed)

Pg.___ 3. Agnes Edgar and James McDavitt

(1) James McDavitt, Jr. (married Ann Reed) (Closed)

Pg.____4. George Edgar (No record closed)

Pg.___ 5. James Edgar and Elizabeth Mason

1st Marriage
(1) George Edgar - b. Nov. 27, 1767
(2) John Edgar - b. Aug. 3, 1770
(3) Mary Polly Edgar b. Jan 1 10, 1775
(4) Nancy Edgar - b. Feb 19, 1776
(5) Sarah Edgar - b. Jan 27, 1778
Elizabeth Mason Edgar died 1778

Pg.___ 5. James Edgar and Phoebe Wright of Bedford, Va.

2nd. Marriage
(1) Thomas Edgar b.- May 5, 1780
(2) Elizabeth Edgar -b. Sept 26, 1782
(3) Judith Edgar b.-Mar. 30, 1784
(4) Jane Edgar, b.-July 5, 1786
(5) Wm. Edgar , b.-Jan 1, 1790 (See page___)
(6) Jessie Edgar b Dec 23, 1793
(7) Henry Edgar b Sept 9, 1795

the same legitimate

Pg.___ 4. Caroline Pearis Edgar and George Perry

were married

(1) Rodney Perry
(2) Birdie Perry

Pg.___ 5. Thomas Howe Edgar (Bachelor)

Lived at Falling Springs, Greenbrier
and died Feb.25,1904 - 62 yrs.

Pg.___6. Mary Edgar and _____ Walkup

Mary Edgar Walkup died July 12,1810.

Pg.___ 7. Thomas Edgar and Ann Mathews -b Oct 1o 1765

were married March 21 1783

(1) Elizabeth Edgar - born 7/8/1786
(2) Letitia Edgar - born 7/24/1788
(3) Sarah R. Edgar - born 10/4/1790
(4) Lewis Edgar - born Jan 1795 d-1796
(5) Thomas Edgar - born 8/29/1797 (See pg___
(6) Archer Edgar - born 7/2/1799 (See pg___
(7) Anne Edgar - born 3/31/1803 (Closed)

Thomas Edgar died at Edgar's Mill, Va. July 15, 1822, buried back of Old Stone Church, Lewisburg, W.Va.
Nancy Matthews Edgar died at Edgar's Mill,Va. Nov.21,1852. died in 88th year (Stone date worn off) buried behind Old Stone Church- Lewisburg, W.Va.

Thomas Edgar, as young boy of about 15 yrs. of age, came to Western Va. with a surveying party in 1764-65. Later obtaining a grant from the Gov. of Va. for lands (at Ronceverte, W.Va) on the Greenbrier) at which place he established a homestead and there reared his children with Ann Matthews. His son, Archer came into possession of the old Home place at Ronceverte ,W.Va.(Edgar's Mill) and maintained the Edgar Home until Archer Edgar's death in 1863.

6._ 1. Elizabeth Edgar (dau. of Thos. & Ann Mathews) Edgar. died at Gainsville, Alabama, June 21,1865

8._ 2. Letitia Edgar (dau. of Thos.& Ann Matthews) married John Withrow and June 10, 1834.

3._ 3. Sarah Edgar - (dau. of Thos. & Ann M.Edgar) Born Oct.4,1790 died an old maid on Oct. 1,1847 and is buried back of Old Stone Church at Lewisburg,W.Va.

._ 4. Thomas Edgar and

Thos. Edgar reared a family at Union,Monroe Co.,W.Va. and died March 28,1842.

Pg.___ 6. Archer M. Edgar and Nancy H. Pearis
were married, Jan 25, 1822

(1)Henry Clay Edgar -b. Dec 3 1832 d.Oct.20,1833
(2)Elizabeth Ann Edgar b. Nov.17,1834 (see Pg___
(3)Alfred M.Edgar-born July 10,1837 (See pg___
Capt.
(4)Caroline P.Edgar -born Dec.30,1839 (See Pg___
(5) Thomas Howe Edgar-born Mar.30 1842 (See Pg___
(6) Delia Dangerfield Edgar -born May 1846
and died in 24th yr. of age -fever at
Edgar's Mill, Dec. 18,1870.
(A small dau. Ardelia born 1847 died in
infancy).

Col. Archer M. Edgar died at Ronceverte (Edgar's Mill ,Va. Oct. 10,1863. in 64th year.
Nancy H. Pearis Edgar died at Ronceverte (Edgar's Mill, Va. Sept.24,1864 in 52nd yr. Both are buried back of Old Stone Church,Lewisburg.

Pg.___ 2. Elizabeth Ann Edgar and Lewis Stuart Creigh

were married Jan. 4, 1860, Rev. John McElhenny at Lewisburg,Va.

(1) Alfred Edgar Creigh, born April 13,1863, died Feb. 26, 1931

Alfred E.Creigh married Mary Betts, June 20,1889
See page ____ (11 children)

Elizabeth A. Creigh died September 10,1897

Pg.___ 3. Alfred M.Edgar and Lydia McNeil

(1) Delia Howe Edgar
(2) Elizabeth (Bessie) Edgar
(3) Allen Penick Edgar
(4) George Edgar
(5) Rachel Edgar

Alfred M. Edgar, Capt. of Co "E" "Stonewall Brigade" of Army of Northern Virginia, 1861.-65. wounded at Chancellorsville,Va. Captured and imprisioned at Paris Island, during last year of war. After the war established his home in the Little Levels, Hillsboro,W.Va.

Pg.___ 3. John Edgar Jr. and Sidney Poland

(1) George Edgar (closed)
(2) Lewis Edgar (closed)
(3) Russell Edgar (closed)
(4) James McDavitt Edgar (closed)
(5) Sidney Poland Edgar -married James McHenry (Closed)

FAMILY RECORDS IN THE EDGAR BIBLE

Marriages

Thomas Edgar and Ann Mathews were married the 21st day of March, 1783.

Archer M. Edgar and Nancy H. Pearis were married the 25th day of January, 1832.

Lewis S. Creigh and Lizzie A. Edgar were married January 4th, 1860, by Rev. John McElhany, D.D.

Births

Thomas Edgar was born 27th Sept. 1750
Ann Mathews, now Ann Edgar, was born the 10th day of Oct. 1765.
Elizabeth Edgar was born the 8th day of July 1786
Letitia Edgar was born the 24th July 1788
Sarah Edgar was born the 4th Oct. 1790
Mary Edgar was born the 11th July 1792
Lewis Edgar was born the ___ day of Jan. 1795
Thos. Edgar was born the 29th day of Aug. 1797
Archer M. Edgar was born the 22nd day of July (?)1799
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Ardelia Edgar was born (?) of May 1847.

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Deaths

Lewis Edgar died the 19th Aug.1796
Mary Edgar now Walkup died the 12th July 1819 (1810?)
Letitia Edgar now Withrow died the 10 June 1834
Thomas Edgar Jun. died the 28th of March 1842
Nancy Edgar died 21 Novem. 1852
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The following are listed on a slip of paper found in the Bible.

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(signed) V. W. Nichols Clerk
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Mr. Isaac McNeel
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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
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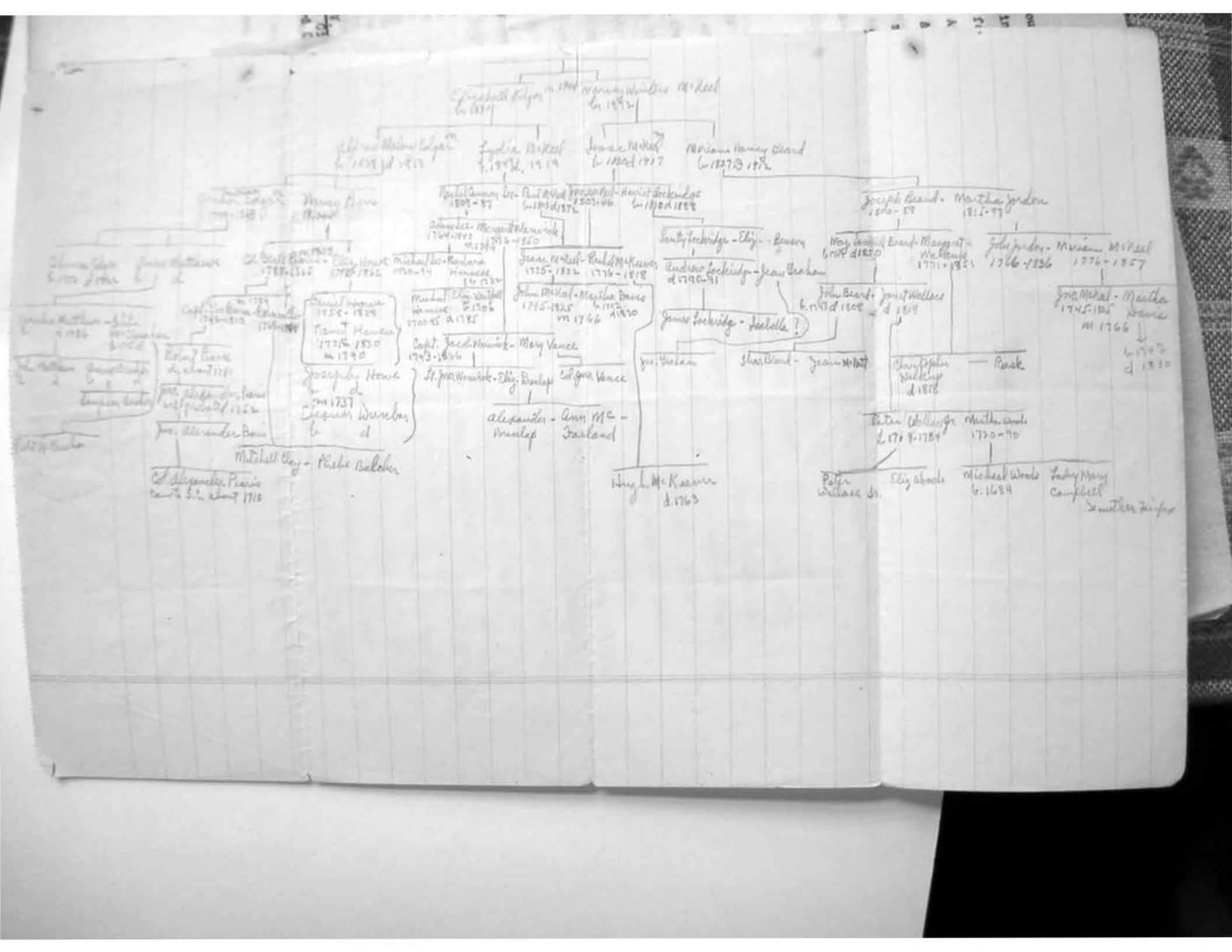
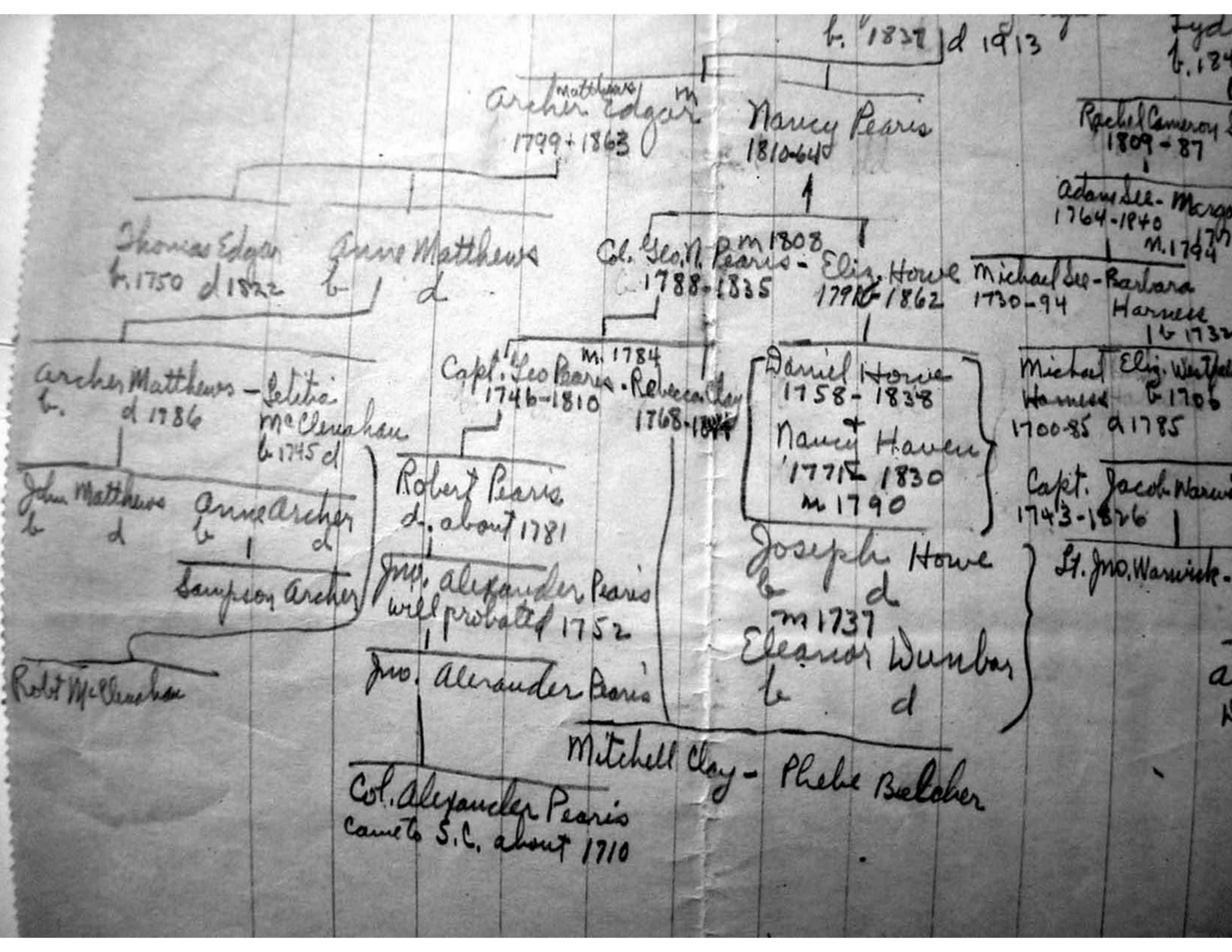
8/3/1937

Dear Ike: I got your letter and appreciate your efforts very much however you needn't go to so much trouble as it is not so imporaant. Mr. Price says that he expects it was the pension lists of Revolutionary soldiers that Andy was looking and I am of the same opinion since I think about it. They were not listed by companied but aphabetically and after each name was the county of his residence and the organization in which he served. In the same list Joshua Buckley the pioneer was listed as a resident of Augusta County but his company was from Fredrick or Culppper county and McNeill was listed as a resident of Hardy county and his service with George Roger Clark. Mr. Ewing for whom I am trying to get this record has the service record of John McNeel at Hillsboro and Jacob XXXXX Ireson McNeill with Stuart and Arbuckle at Point Pleasant from pension lists at Washington so if the pension lists of the Revolution was not what we were looking I don't what it could have been.

Sincerely,

J E Buckley





b. 1837 d 1913

Archer Edgar Matthews m
1799 + 1863

Nancy Pearis
1810-64

Rachel Cameron
1809 - 87

Adam See - Marg
1764-1840
m. 1794

Thomas Edgar
b. 1750 d 1822

Anne Matthews
b d

Col. Geo. N. Pearis - m 1808
1788-1835

Eliz. Howe
1791-1862

Michael See - Barbara Harness
1730-94
b 1732

Archer Matthews - Letitia McClenahan
b. d 1786
b 1745 d

Capt. Geo Pearis - m. 1784 Rebecca Clay
1746-1810
1768-1844

Daniel Howe
1758 - 1838
+
Nancy Haven
1771 - 1830
m 1790

Michael Harness
1700-85

Eliz. Westfal
b 1706
d 1785

John Matthews
b d

Anne Archer
b d

Robert Pearis
d. about 1781

Capt. Jacob Warwi
1743-1826

Sampson Archer

Jno. Alexander Pearis
will probated 1752

Joseph Howe
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m 1737
Eleanor Dunbar
b d

Lt. Jno. Warwick -

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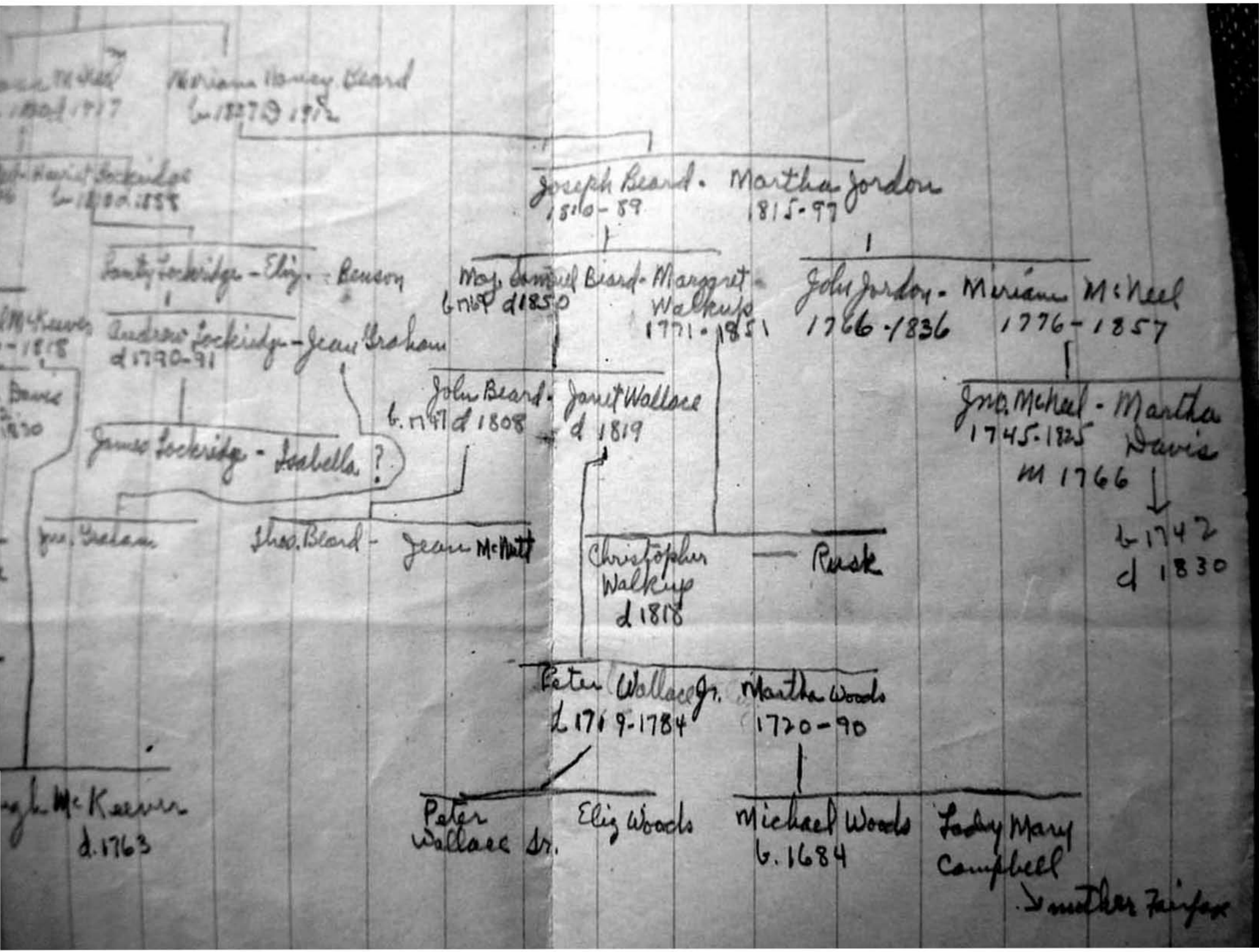
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Martha Davis
m 1766
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d 1830
James Lockridge
Isabella ?
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Rusk
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Rushville, Ill., June 9th, 1864

My dear Alfred

Your letter to your Cousin Marion came duly to hand by last mail, and we were all very glad to hear of and from you, notwithstanding we regret your present unfortunate position, and hope it may be made as comfortable to you as circumstances will permit as we doubt not it will be. We send you by express to-morrow morning addressed as you direct a small box containing a few Articles of Clothing which we trust may be Acceptable and useful to Wit, one Coat, 2 pairs of Pants 2 shirts 2 pairs of drawers two pairs of Socks and two or three collars and some other Articles. We hope they will reach you in season. We would be very glad on account our high regard for your Parents as well as for yourself render you any assistance we could to make your present Condition as comfortable as possible that we could do consistent with our obligation to the Government and the regulations that surround you. We will be glad to hear from you on receipt of the box and if there are any articles that you specially need do not fail to let us know. Would a small amount of money be useful and would it be admissable

Our oldest Son is a Lieut. in Co. I, 119th Regiment of Ill. Vol. (Edwin M. Anderson). We have just heard that he was wounded in a battle on the Red River about 16 miles from its mouth (the wound was slight). Your letter gave us the first intimation that we had near and dear friends on both sides of the bloody contest and it may be that the Soldier of to-day may be the Prisoner of to-morrow.

Hoping that this war may be brought to a speedy close and that friends may be again united all enmities reconciled. All the family desire to be affectionately remembered to You. We were very sorry to hear of the death of your dear Father. Your letter was the first intimation from friends in Va. for more than three years.

Vy Affectionately yours

James L. Anderson

Inclose a few Postage Stamps

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THE EDGAR FAMILY

Captain Thomas Edgar was born in Bedford county, Virginia, in the year 1754. His father was George Edgar and his mother Elizabeth Edgar. At maturity he entered Washington's Army and rose to the rank of Captain. He was with Washington at Yorktown when Lord Cornwallis surrendered his British forces. About the close of the Revolution he married Ann Matthews. He moved to Lewisburg by 1780, where he kept an "ordinary" until 1791. He bought the old Edgar Homestead at Edgar's Mills, where Ronceverte now stands. Dyer's Index shows that the following grants were made to Thomas Edgar: four hundred acres, Rich Creek, in 1785; two hundred seventy acres, Rich Creek, in k785; one hundred forty-two acres, Burns Creek, in 1797; eighty-three acres, Spring Creek, in 1809; nine hundred thirty acres adjoining Holesapple in 1801. These grants were made in Greenbrier County. There was also a grant of nine thousand three hundred thrity acres on the Kanawha River in Montgomery county in 1797.

"At Court of Quarter Session Begun and Held for the County of Greenbrier August 27, 1784, Thomas Edgar comes into this court and resigns his office of surveyor of the county - " (Record Book of Greenbrier County)

Thomas Edgar had been appointed to this office by the president and professors of the College of William and Mary and was the first surveyor of Greenbrier county. He did, under an act of the Legislature of Virginia, survey a forty-acre square for a town out of the heart of the Savannah to be called Lewisburg. The square was divided into half-acre lots and sold.

He was a trustee of Libert Hall Academy, afterwards Washington College, now Washington and Lee University, in 1784. He was Deputy Sheriff under William Renick, then High Sheriff.

In the session of the Assembly of Virginia, begun October 18 and ending December 29, 1790, Thomas Edgar was a member from Greenbrier County.

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At the age of 24 he entered the Confederate Army. His company, formed at Lewisburg and known as Captain Frye's Company, was sent directly to the vicinty of Harper's Ferry, where it became a part of Jackson's "Stonewall Brigade" - Company "E", 27th Virginia Infantry.

He was in the following battles: 1st Manassas, Fort Republic, Antietam, 2nd Manassas, McDowell, Fredricksburg,

Seven Days, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg and the Wilderness. He was wounded at the battle of Port Republic, June 8, 1862, by a grape shot. The wound was in his left shoulder and was not serious - yet he complained of it in old age. He was captured after the Battle of the Wilderness (Spottsylvania Court House) on May 12, 1864, and was taken immediately to Fort Delaware. In August or September of that year, he, along with 599 other officers, was taken South, under the retaliatory measures of the North, and placed under Confederate fire on Morris Island off the coast of Charleston, S.C. Later this squad was removed to Hilton Head Island, S.C.. Here they were fed nothing but sour corn meal for six long weeks in the dead on winter. In the late winter or early spring of 1865, the survivors of the Immortal Six Hundred were taken back to Fort Delaware. Alfred Edgar was held there until the 17th of June 1865.

He married Lydia McNeel on June 16, 1875. They spent their married life at the brick house, Mt. Airy, near Hillsboro. He died in 1913. His wife died in 1919.

THE McNEEL FAMILY

John McNeel, the ancestor of the McNeels in Pocahontas county, appears to have been the first to occupy the Little Levels by permanent settlement. He was a native of frederick county, Virginia, but passed much of his early life in Cumberland, Maryland. He seems to have been athletic and in a pugilistic contest injured his opponent so severely that the injuries were regarded as fatal. He fled and spent a long time in the solitude of the Alleghanies. He came in view of the Levels in 1765. Here he built his cabin and brooded over the blood he supposed to be on his hands. One day, while hunting, he met Charles and Edward Kinnison from his old home. These two gave him the good news that he had not killed nor even seriously injured his boxing opponent.

He soon made a trip home and brought back as his bride Martha Davis, who was born in Wales in 1740. Martha Davis was a Calvinistic Methodist and brought to her mountain home as part of Her dowry, a Bible printed in Welsh - said to be the first west of the Alleghanies.

In a few years the Dunmore War was started. John McNeel went on the expedition to Point Pleasant. While absent, a child was born and died before his return. Martha Davis prepared the coffin and grave and buried her child. These were the first burial rites at the McNeel graveyard.

John McNeel, upon his return from Point Pleasant, enlisted in a company from Frederick county and served in the Revolution.

He was a man of wonderful sincerity of character and strength of purpose. He and his wife build the "White Polo Church" - a Methodist church.

Isaac McNeel married Rachel McKeever. One of their children was Colonel Paul McNeel. Paul was born in 1803 and went to live with his grandparents at an early age. He was greatly influenced by his grandfather and was one of the most widely known citizens of his day. He possessed an immense landed estate, was for years a leading member

of the court, sheriff of the county, and was a member of the Virginia convention that passed the Ordinance of Secession. He was married to Rachel Cameron See from near Huttonsville.

THE WARWICK FAMILY

Lieutenant Warwick came to Augusta county from Williamsburg, Virginia, during colonial times - 1740-50. He was in the service of the British Corwn and was employed in surveying and locating land grants in Pocahontas county. He was one of the English gentry whose famlies settled in Virginia for political reasons. (See Thackeray's Virginians) He located and occupied the Dunmore property for his own use and married Elizabeth Dunlap, near Middlebrook. Some time later he returned to England and was not heard from again.

His son was Jacob Warwick. Jacob inherited his father's estate and married a Miss Vance from North Carolina. The children of this marriage were born at Dunmore. Jacob Warwick accumulated much land and cattle and horses. In addition to the Dunmore land there was a large tract on the Jackson's River and land at Clover Lick. It was at Clover Lick that the family finally settled building a large house that it might be used for preaching services. Mrs. Warwick was a pious woman who loved to entertain ministers. Her domestic discipline was rigid, but effective. She was tall, slender, blue-eyed, lithe and agile. She was also highly emotional and benevolent. Mrs. Warwick gathered the first Sabbath School ever taught in Pocahontas County. This school was a continuous session of faive hours and left her too exhausted to mount her horse without assistance. Four weeks before her death she received Communion and became so emotionally upset that she never recovered. She was buried at Clover Lick without any sort of services.

Jacob Warwick was an Indian fighter, although he was nonver sure of having killed but one Indian. His services were in frequent demand by land agents and surveyors because of kis knowledge of the mountains. Upon one trip away from home he returned to find that an Indian raid had been made - the row of cabins had been burned, the premises ransacked, all feathers plucked from the chickens,, and the wagon burned - the first wagon to have crossed the mountains.

He was in the expedition to Point Pleasant, probably in the company commanded by Captain Mathews. It is said that he played an important part in that battle.

One of the daughters of Jacob Warwick was Margaret who married Adam See of Huttonsville, Randolph county. Adam See was a well-known lawyer, an extensive landowner, an influential citizen and a ruling elder in his church. Among their children was a daughter, Rachel Cameron See who married Paul McNeel of Pocahontas county.

THE MATHEWS FAMILY

Sir Mathew ap Jevan of Llandaff married Janet, daughter of Sir Jenkyn Fleming of Penclyno, and from these descend all those that bear the name of Mathew in any of its forms, i.e. Mathow, Mattew, Mathews, Matthews, Mathewson, Matthewson. His descendants were long deemed feudal barons, receiving summonses, as Barons, to attend the Sovereign with horses and arms on various occasions. Sir David Mathew of Llandaff, their odlest son, was one of the most distinguished men of his age, and was made Grand Standard Bearer of England by King Edward IV, whose life he is said to have saved - though he was far advanced in years- at the battle of Towton, on Palm Sunday, 1461. His tomb, ornamented with his full length figure in alabaster, in Mathews Chapel of the Llandaff Cathedral (which has ever since been the property of the Mathews family) is one of the most interesting extant monuments of that day. Sir David was the progenitor of various lines of Mathews.

Robert Mathew, second son of Sir Mathew ap Jevan, married Alice, heiress of Castell-y-Mynach, and Daughter of Jenkyn Thomas ap Evan David of Pont-y-Corred ap Llewelyn ychan ap Llewelyn ap Cynfrig, Lord of Llanthrithyd ap Howill ap Madoc, Lord of Ruthven, ap Jestyn.

Sir William Mathew, of Castell-y-Mynach, married Margaret, daughter of Sir John Gamage of Coyty.

Sir Robert Mathew, of Castell-y-Mynach, (said to be living in 1535 - if son quite advanced in age) married Alice, daughter and heir of John Thomas ap Thomas of Pont-y-Corred ap Even David ap Llewelyn ychan from Madoc ap Jestyn. Robert Mathon was also called of Pencoed and Llanthrithyd.

John Mathews (2nd son to above) married Eleanor Crofton of Ludlow.

Tobias Mathews, Fifty-sixth Archbishop of York, brought up at Christchurch, Oxford, D.D. Rose by preferment. First Archdeacon of Wells; Priest of St. John's College, Oxford; Canon and Dean of Christchurch; Dean of Durham; and, lastly, Archbishop of York, September 11, 1606. Born 1546, Died 1623. Married Francis, daughter of William Barlow, the widow of a bishop and mother of two more bishops. She and Tobias had two daughters and three sons - Sir Tobias, John and SamuellMathews, born 1592, died March 13, 1660. Sent to the Colony of Virginia by King James, 1622. Was one of the five commissioners to examine conditions of Virginia, 1623. Liked it so well he remained. Was a member of the Colonial Council, 1624-1644; a Commissioner of Warwick River, 1631; elected governor of the colony by the House of Burgesses, December, 1656; deposed by same authority in 1658 and immediately re-elected; held office until his death. He was married first to the daughter of Sir Thomas Hinton, who was mother of his sons: second, to the widow of Abraham Piersy. His landed possessions were large, one of his plantations being called "Flous do Hundred", and another "Mathews Manor" and afterwards Denbeigh." It was from the latter that the county seat of

Warwick county, Virginia took its name - it occupying the site of the plantation.

Samuel Mathews, eldest son, was Lieutenant Colonel of Militia in 1655 and a member of the Assembly from Warwick county in 1652. In 1655 he was a member of the Colonial Council.

John Mathews lived at Denbeigh. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Michael Taverner, of York county.

Samueal Mathews, a Cpatain of Colonial Militia, signs himself on a bond dated 1706 as of St. Stephen's Parish, King and Queen county. He married three times: first, Miss Braxton, mother of John; second, Katherine Dunstall, no issue; Margaret, whose son died without issue.

John Mathews left the eastern part of Virginia and settled between 1730 and 1737 in the District of West Augusta, now Rockbridge county, near the Natural Bridge in the fork of the James. He was elected a vestryman in 1746, along with his brother-in-law, John Archer. In 1742 he was in command of a company of Augusta County Militia. He was a Captain of the Militia during the French and Indian War and was in Braddock's Campaign. He married Anne Archer, daughter of Sampson Archer of Gilmores Spring. Archer was also a Lieutenant in the French and Indian War.

Archer Mathews was the youngest son of Captain John Mathews. He moved to Greenbrier country about 1780, where he owned much land. In 1782 he was one of the trustees who formed the town of Lewisburg. He married Letitia McClanahan.

Anne Mathews, their second child, married Captain Thomas Edgar.

THE HOWE FAMILY

There are difficulties in the way of tracing this family to its English origin. Tradition has to be largely relied upon; and this, as presented by different branches of the family, differs as to the first of the family that crossed the Atlantic, and as to the first place of Settlement. One statement is that a Joseph How, belonging to a family of that name long domiciled in Massachusetts, enlisted and served as a soldier in the French and Indian War, in which he was supposed to have been lost. But, afterwards, he was found in the New River Valley, where later he added the letter "e" to the name. This information is taken from the "Howe Mss."

Joseph Howe, an English gentlman, first cousin of Lord Howe and General Wayne, came to America in 1737. On board the vessel that brought him over was a beautiful and captivating girl, Eleanor Dunbar. The two fell in love and married soon after landing and settled in Boston. They drifted southward and finally settled in the rugged regions of southwestern Virginia. They made their home on Back Creek in 1757 or 1758. This homestead is still in the possession of the family in the person of Mrs. Agnes Howe DeJarnette.

Daniel Howe was an officer in the Revolutionary War. He was a man of strong mind and high character. He married Nancy Haven. He was often on detached service in search of Tories. The story is told that one of John Haven's Plum Creek was suspect. Major Howe was sent on several occasions to arrest him, but was unable. Finally, a pretty, black-eyed daughter of Haven, whose name was Nancy, caught the Major and became his wife. One of their ten children was Elizabeth, who married Colonel George Neeley Pearis.

Nancy Pearis, daughter of Elizabeth and Geroge Pearis, married Archer Edgar

THE PEARIS FAMILY

The ancestors of this family were Huguenots, who fled from France, stopping temporarily in Barbadoes, thence about 1710 to South Carolina. Here they located on an island about five miles from Port Royal, to which they gave the name "Paris Island." (Various spellings - Pearris, Paris , Parris and Pearis.) The settler was Alexander Pearis, who became a distinguished men.

Judge McGrady, in his History of South Carolina under the Proprietary Government, 1670-1719, gives considerable prominence to Col. Alexander Pearis, who was Commissioner of Free Schools, Commissioner for Building Churches, Member of the House of Commons (Col. Wm. Rhett, Speaker), a military officer, one of the judges to try pirates, and commander of the militia in the Revolution of 1719. Col. Alexander Pearis had a son, Alexander, who made some conveyance of property in 1722-26. Alexander Pearis, Jr., had a son, John Alexander, who likewise had a son John Alexander, as shown by his will probated in August, 1752. The last mentioned John Alexander had a son Robert, who died about 1781. Robert's daughter Malinda married Samuel Pepper and moved to the New River valley before 1770 and located at the place where he later established Pepper's Ferry. George and Robert Alexander Pearis, his brthers-in-law, went with him.

At that time there lived in that neighborhood a gentleman named Joseph Howe. Howe had some pretty daughters. Both George and Robert Alexander married Howes. Robert Alexander and his wife removed to the vicinity of Paris, Ky.

George Pearis remained in the vicinity of Pepper's Ferry until the spring of 1782. Before this he had been made a captain in one of the militia companies of Montgomery county.

On the advance of the British Army into the Carolinas in the fall of 1780, there was a Tory uprising in Surry county, North Carolina. The uprising was of such formidable proportions as to impel Gen. Martin Armstrong, commanding that military district, to call on Major Joseph Cloyd (Montgomery county militia) to aid in its suppression. About the first of October, 1780, Major Cloyd with three companies of mounted men - one under command of Capt. Geo. Pearis - marched to the State of North Carolina. Here they were joined by militia of that state, making a force of about 160 men.

with which he attacked the Tories at Shallow Ford of the Yadkin on October 14, defeating them with a loss of 15 killed and a few wounded. Major Cloyd had one killed and several wounded. Among the wounded was Capt. Pearis, who had a severe shoulder wound. This fight cleared the way for the crossing of Gen. Green's army. Capt. Pearis returned home wounded. His wife died a few days after his return on November 14. Disabled from further service, Capt. Pearis removed in the spring of 1782 to his land on the New River. (This land had been purchased from Capt. Wm. Ingles about 1779 vor seventy pounds sterling and contained 204 acres.) Here is now situated Pearisburg station. He later established a ferry, kept a small stock of goods and later an "ordinary". On October 5, 1784, he married Rebecca Clay, daughter of Mitchell Clay. One of their children was

Colonel George Neeley Pearis who married Elizabeth Howe, daughter of Major Daniel Howe. One of their children was Nancy, who married Archer Edgar.

The elder George Pearis was long a magistrate of Montgomery and Giles counties; sat in the courts of both counties; and was, for a term, magistrate of Giles. The first court of the latter county was held in a house belonging to him. The land for the county buildings and town was given by him and from him Pearisburg took its name. He died November 4, 1810 and was buried on his farm, on the hill southwest of Pearisburg station.

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There are some branches about which nothing is known now. These are the Davis family, the Archers, the Clays the Havens and the Dunbars.

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